# VOC measurements by PTR-MS

Science Flight 2, NAM

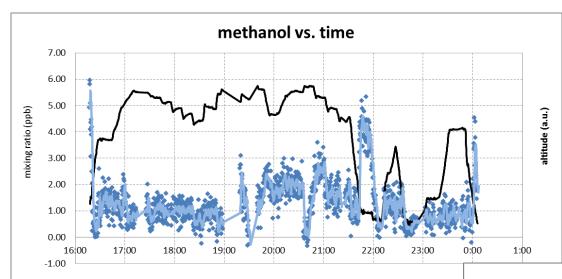
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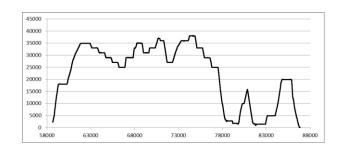
## Tracers of BL air

compound	major sources	atmospheric lifetime
methanol*	biosphere, photochemical production, biomass burning	~ 1 week
acetone*	biosphere, photochemical, production, biomass burning	few weeks
acetic acid	biosphere, photochemical, production, biomass burning	few days (wet deposition)
isoprene, MVK/MACR	biosphere, photochemical, production	< 1 hour, 5-10 hours
benzene, toluene	anthropogenic, biomass burning	1-2 weeks, 1-2 days
acetonitrile	biomass burning	several months

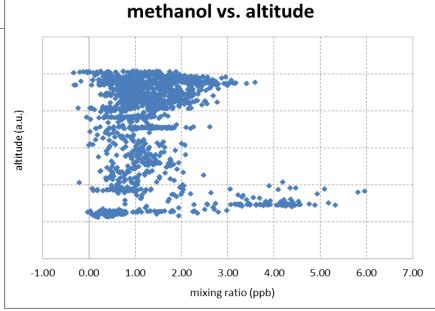
<sup>\*</sup> omnipresent, most abundant VOCs in BL

## Methanol

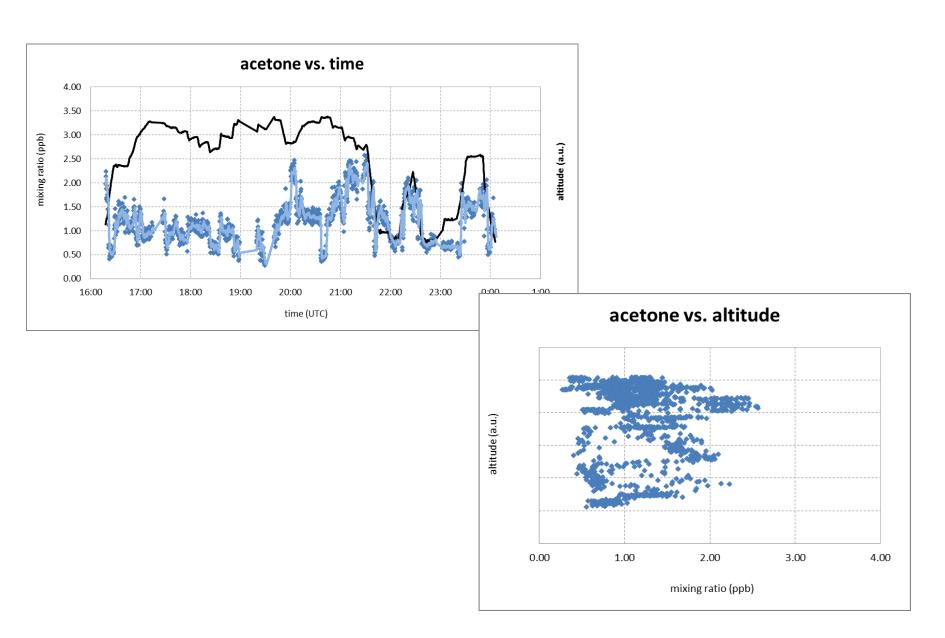




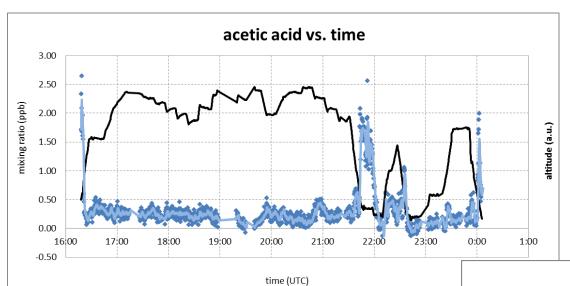
time (UTC)

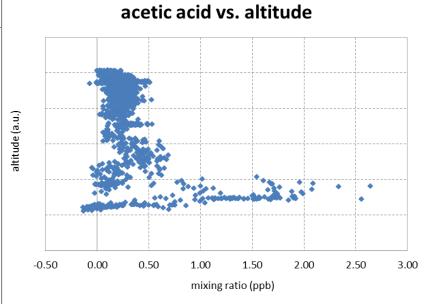


#### Acetone

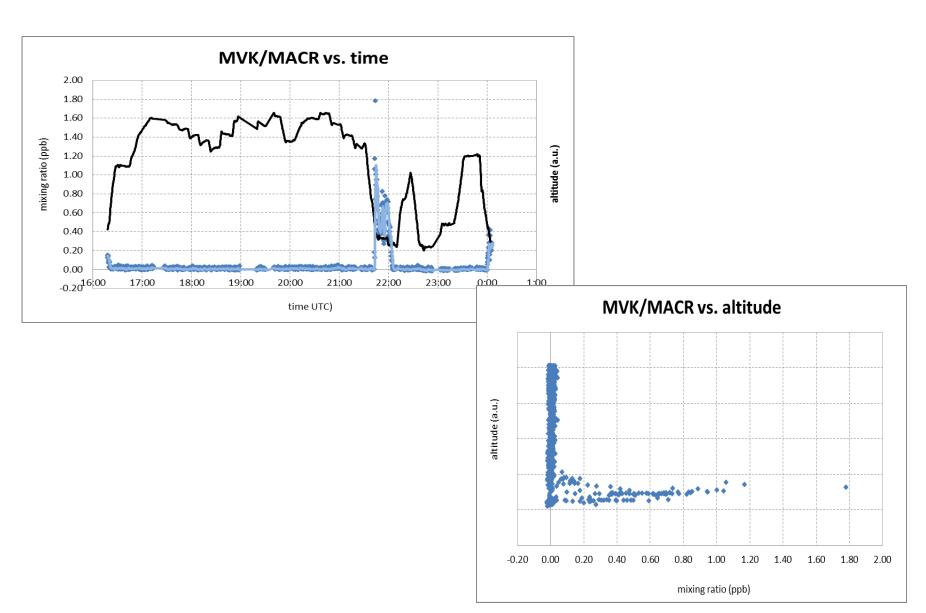


### Acetic acid

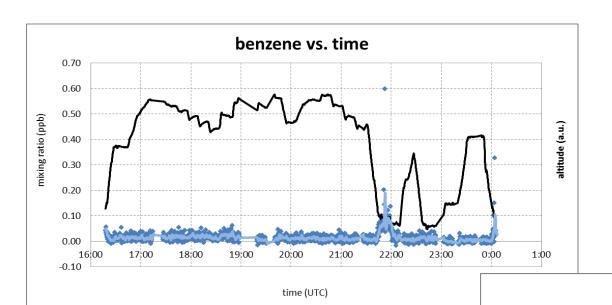




# MVK/MACR



#### Benzene

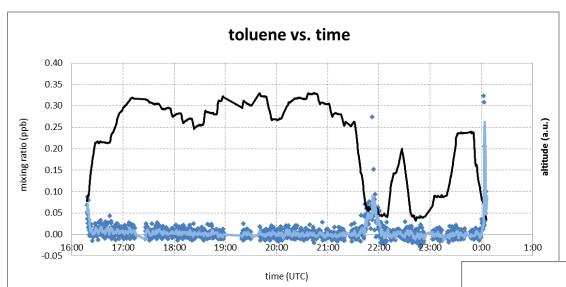


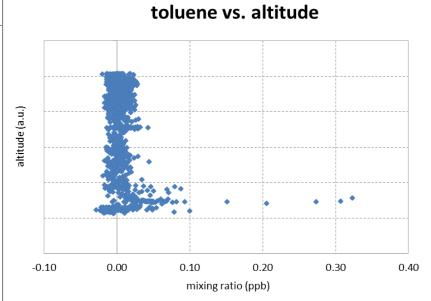
-0.10 0.00 0.10 0.20 0.30 0.40 0.50 0.60 0.70

mixing ratio (ppb)

benzene vs. altitude

## Toluene





## Acetonitrile

